

**SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT  
FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**  
250 Saint Gregory Court, Williamsville, NY 14221  
688-5760

September 2017

Dear Parents,

We welcome you and your child to First Grade Family Faith Formation! This year, your child will learn about: God and His love for us; Jesus as God's Son and our friend; our parish and our Church, including prayers and the sacraments; seasonal celebrations; the saints and the Mass. Music, crafts and videos will enhance the lessons from the text.

Your child will learn all this and more from his/her catechist and from you. Today, your child has received a book and a schedule of lessons and homework. Almost every lesson has homework, which is designed to be a mini-refresher course for the parent and a review for the child. In addition, there are wonderful "With My Family" pages at the end of each chapter. We hope you will find the few minutes you spend each week with your child's homework rewarding, as you explore and share your faith with your child. Here are a few reminders to help the program run smoothly:

- Please check the **Family Faith Formation website** on a regular basis ([stgregs.org](http://stgregs.org)) for important updates and information.
- Please see the **Lessons & Family Work Schedule** for class dates & assignments.
- You may wish to send in a **bag and folder** with your child each week to keep track of the book & handouts.
- Please have your child **use the bathroom before** the start of each class☺
- All Grade 1-4 **students must be escorted into and out of the building** by their parent (or driver) through the main lobby.
- **If your child will be absent, please call the FFF office that day to let us know. (688-5760)**
- It is important that you help your child feel a part of the parish community. As parents, you have a vital role in the formation of your child's faith. **Weekly attendance at Mass is important to reinforce the beliefs in our faith.**

This year, the children will have the opportunity to take home a "**Traveling Jesus**" box. Each week a different child will take the box home. It contains a statue of Jesus, a book of stories and a worksheet to be done as a family.

Feel free to contact us at any time with questions, comments or concerns. We look forward to a wonderful year with your child!

Sincerely,

Kathy Tufillaro, Coordinator Grades 1-4; & the Grade 1 Team